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To the Assistance Commissioner for Patents  
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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements  
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- (1) Combined Declaration for Patent Application and Power  
of Attorney originally filed as parent application on  
August 25, 1999 as PCT US99/19418, signed by inventors  
Thomas McDonald and Annika Weber;
- (2) A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements  
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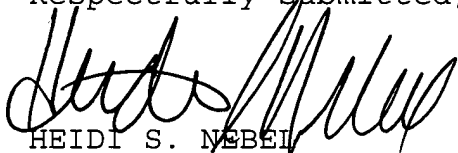
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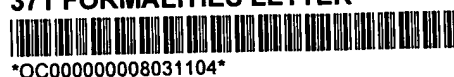


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- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Request for Immediate Examination

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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